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TALES FROM THE DARK SIDE Chopin Theatre

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SHOP WATCH

Looking for post-Thanksgiving deals? Keep an eye on these hot goodies

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Black Friday—or really the five days from Thanksgiving through Cyber Monday—is a great time to shop. Many items will be at or close to their lowest prices of the year, especially when combined with the special Black Friday coupons that some stores issue.

But it's also a time when irrational exuberance can lead shoppers to grab things that aren't really great deals, and that's what retailers are counting on.

"You can't assume because it's in the Black Friday circular it's a good deal," warned Edgar Dworsky, a Boston-area bargain shopping veteran who runs the website consumerworld.org. "Most of the door-busters are [great deals], but the other ones may just be kind of everyday sale prices. That's why you've got to do your homework, and know the price history of the item."

Experts predict the best deals in these categories.



Video game consoles

"You can expect to save about 15 percent, or an average of \$30, on consoles," said Mike Fridgen, CEO of decide.com, which based its research on online prices. Xbox in particular historically has seen Black Friday discounts, he said.



Movies, CDs and other media

"Particularly amongst big-box department stores and megasize online retailers, you'll see loss leaders on popular DVDs, CDs and books," said Miriam Kamin, author of the deal blog wantnot.net, which posts many of the top online bargains every Black Friday weekend. "If you're shopping online, don't forget to stay tuned to the Amazon Lightning Deals—they'll have a number of bargains in this category." Dealnews predicts that some Blu-ray movies will be available for as cheap as \$4 or \$5.



TVs

Big 46-inch and 47-inch TVs are expected to sell for as low as \$299, and 42-inch screens as low as \$189, according to Dealnews. Door-busters aside, the week leading up to Black Friday actually is the best time of year to buy a TV, according to price comparison site decide.com.



Laptops

This year, 17-inch desktop replacements are expected to hit a new low. These laptops, with quad-core processors, at least 8GB of RAM and at least a 500GB hard drive, could dip as low as \$525, down from last year's Black Friday low of \$800, Dealnews predicted. Low-end laptops, 15-inch to 16-inch dual-core ones, will probably match last year's Black Friday low of \$180, the shopping research site predicted.



Blu-ray players

"You'll see Blu-ray players probably in the \$69-or-less range, maybe even one for \$49 this year," Dworsky predicted.



Other items to watch

- » Major appliances
- » Android smartphones
- » Clothing (with coupons)
- » Home fitness equipment
- » GPS units (especially online)

Never too old for you to dream big



Nikki Lynette

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As kids, many of us sat around with our friends and talked about what we wanted to be when we grew up, and we all had such huge dreams. Yet somewhere along the way, many of us traded in our dreams for something we consider to be more practical. Why?

Almost everyone I know hates his or

her job. It seems they all have aspirations to do something creative but are too afraid to go for it. I don't get it. At what point do we go from believing we can do anything we dream of to settling for a job that pays the bills?

People seem to have so many reasons why it's OK to work a job they hate ... but why is money more important than happiness?

I am often told by friends how "lucky" I am to be able to make a good living off of my music. I always remind them that luck has nothing to do with it. The key to my accomplishments is all about attitude.

When you are pursuing something you love, you have a better attitude about the work. And when you do great work, you stand out. You get opportunities. And you win. That philosophy is what took me from being a starving artist to being someone who has her music played on major TV networks, who gets featured in magazines that she grew up reading, and who has the coolest fans in the world.

I know the whole "attitude determines altitude" perspective sounds cliché, but I'm not the only person who believes it.

One of my homies who swears by the power of positive attitude is Bill Reishtein, senior VP group creative director at Leo Burnett. I met Bill while doing voice-over work, and he is pretty laid back for a super successful dude with major advertising awards under his belt.

Bill often says how much he respects my hustle, and he told me, "Most people your age don't know that hard work is important ... but your attitude toward the work deter-

Chasing your dreams is risky, but is it honestly more risky than doing something you hate for the rest of your life?

mines how far you will go." And if you think that there are no jobs for creative people, think again. Bill tells me that he looks for that quality in everyone he interviews for positions at his agency. "I look into their eyes and search for that spark of joy in creativity," Bill says. "When I feel that, I make the hire." Word.

Another friend whose positive attitude brings him success is my boy Jarrett Rashad Kelly, an amazing dancer from Chicago. Jarrett didn't grow up with money. When things got so bad that his family couldn't afford more to eat than hot dogs and soda, Jarrett applied for a part-time job at Target—though he never stopped training and auditioning. Now Jarrett is a professional dancer in Las Vegas for Cirque Du Soleil.

While Jarrett and Bill have totally different careers, they do share one thing in common: They surround themselves with people who think the same way they do, people who don't see limitations, people who believe that hard work and a positive attitude pay off. In other words, they don't keep any haters in their circle.

Chasing your dreams is risky, but is it honestly more risky than doing something you hate for the rest of your life? Screw that.

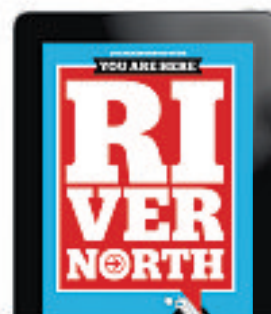
When asked for his secret to success, Jarrett told me, "I always put my dreams first." If you've become too jaded to do that, maybe it's time to change your attitude.

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Rep. Jesse Jackson Jr., the ambitious political heir to a powerful Chicago family whose once promising future collapsed amid federal ethics investigations and a diagnosis of mental illness, resigned Wednesday from the South Side congressional seat he held for 17 years.

Jackson's downfall represents perhaps the last major political casualty in the long-running corruption scandal that sent former Gov. Rod Blagojevich to prison in March on charges he tried to sell President Obama's Senate seat.

Jackson's political star was on the rise until allegations surfaced in late 2008 that his supporters offered to raise as much as \$6 million for Blagojevich in return for the governor appointing him to the Senate seat vacated by the president-elect. Though Jackson was never charged in that case, a House ethics panel investigation into his actions ultimately was eclipsed by a federal criminal probe based in Washington, D.C., into alleged misuse of



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campaign dollars.

Jackson's resignation letter to House Speaker John Boehner (R-Ohio) was Jackson's first acknowledgment of the ongoing federal corruption investigation.

"I am doing my best to address the situation responsibly, cooperate with the investigators, and accept responsibility for my mistakes, for they are my mistakes and mine alone," Jack-

son said in the two-page letter. "None of us is immune from our share of shortcomings or human frailties, and I pray that I will be remembered for what I did right."

Jackson's Washington legal team, which recently added former federal prosecutor Dan Webb, a Chicago partner at Winston & Strawn LLP, indicated that while Jackson's political fate has been settled, there's more to

Who takes his place?

Jackson's resignation immediately launched a field of possible successors—to be nominated and elected in special elections early next year—that could involve more than a dozen Democratic contenders, some of them political has-beens and others up-and-comers representing a new generation of leadership. Under state law, Gov. Quinn has five days to set dates for primary and general elections, which must be held by mid-March.

come in a court of law.

"We hope to negotiate a fair resolution of the matter but the process could take several months," they said in the statement.

Despite admitting "my share of mistakes," Jackson said his deteriorating health—and treatment for bipolar depression—kept him from serving as a "full-time legislator" and was the reason for his resignation.

Jackson's decision to step down came little more than two weeks after his re-election to another two-year term despite a lack of campaigning. He disappeared from the public eye in June after taking a medical leave from the House for what aides had initially described as exhaustion.

“I pray that I will be remembered for what I did right.”

—Jesse Jackson Jr., in his two-page resignation letter to House Speaker John Boehner (R-Ohio)

THE DIGIT

400,000

That's the estimated crowd that packed State Street on Thursday to watch the McDonald's Thanksgiving Parade. The parade included 12 huge balloons, 15 floats, 24 marching bands, and a diverse mix of dance troupes, cultural performances and celebrity guests.

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EXPRESS LINES

- Mayor Emanuel's controversial speed cameras will get their first test next month in four locations as the city tries to determine whether the technology to catch speeding cars works.
- Police say a man who opened his door after hearing the screams of a woman seeking shelter from her husband was stabbed to death Wednesday night in Rosemoor.
- The holidays are officially beginning at the Art Institute of Chicago, which will stage its annual wreathing of the lions ceremony Friday.
- A man who was attacking passengers and the driver of a CTA bus in Marquette Park was shot and Tasered by police Thursday after he tried to attack officers. TRIBUNE, REDEYE

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150 cars pile up in deadly crash

1 A high-speed pileup of up to 150 vehicles on a fog-bound Texas interstate killed at least two people Thursday and injured up to 120, a sheriff's spokesman said. The chain reaction of collisions shut down Interstate 10 about 15 miles west of Beaumont for several hours, said Deputy Rod Carroll of the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office.

Bon Jovi thanks fans for concern

Jon Bon Jovi is speaking out about daughter Stephanie Bongiovi's recent heroin overdose and expressed appreciation for fans' concern. "It's human," Bon Jovi told Fox. "This tragedy was something that I had to face too. ... And people's warm wishes for my family and I have been really reassuring."

Hector Camacho declared 'brain dead'

2 Hector "Macho" Camacho, the famed boxer, is clinically "brain dead," a doctor said Thursday. A gunman shot him in the face two days ago while he was seated in a black Ford Mustang in front of a bar in his hometown of Bayamon, Puerto Rico.

Pakistani Taliban issue warning

3 The Pakistani Taliban vowed Thursday to carry out attacks against India to avenge the death of a man executed by Indian authorities for his role in the 2008 terrorist assault on Mumbai.

Statue of Liberty to remain closed

4 Superstorm Sandy left the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island national monuments with enough infrastructure damage to keep them closed, the National Park Service said Wednesday. It is not clear when both locations will reopen.



Palestinians celebrate Thursday after an eight-day conflict in Gaza City. **REUTERS**

A FRAGILE PEACE

Israelis, Palestinians both claim success as cease-fire ends days of fighting

5 **GAZA CITY** Palestinian leaders on Thursday sought to cast the day-old cease-fire between Israel and Gaza as a victory and catalyst for unity between their divided factions, while Israelis said they were happy for quiet so far after eight days of shelling and counter-strikes.

In Gaza City, supporters of Hamas and its moderate rival Palestinian party, Fatah, gathered near the Parliament in a rare display of unity that included yellow Fatah flags and green Hamas banners flapping in the breeze alongside Palestinian flags.

The mood was celebratory and militant. The leader of Islamic Jihad, a party to the truce that was brokered by Egypt and that took effect Wednesday night, called for more weapons to maintain resistance against Israel.

"We should be ready through our unity, through our resistance, to keep the persever-

ance and steadfastness of our people," Mohammed Hindi said.

Hamas Prime Minister Ismail Haniyeh declared in a televised speech that Israel "raised the white flag" and called the defeat of what he labeled the occupiers as "preparation to liberate Jerusalem" and the al-Aqsa mosque located on the Temple Mount.

Israel's military also claimed success, saying on Wednesday that it destroyed "significant elements" of Hamas' rocket-launching capabilities.

The latest outburst of violence between Israel and Gaza left more than 160 Palestinians dead and many more injured and homeless. Israel experienced rocket attacks from Gaza on its main cities of Tel Aviv and Jerusalem for the first time.

At least six Israelis were killed, including a soldier who died Thursday after being injured in one of the final Palestinian shellings before the cease-fire took hold, the Israeli Defense Forces said.

A spokesman for Israeli Prime Minister

NEXT STEP

According to the agreement, the next stage for the cease-fire once it passed the one-day mark Thursday night was for both sides to consider opening border crossings to facilitate movements of people and goods. On Thursday, some of Israel's soldiers, once readied at Gaza's borders for a potential ground invasion, could be seen packing up to leave.

Netanyahu told CNN on Thursday that the Hamas stance toward Israel harms the ability to negotiate.

"You must remember, Hamas, unfortunately, is the enemy of peace," said the spokesman, Mark Regev. "Hamas doesn't want to negotiate. Hamas says that any Palestinian who negotiates with Israel is a traitor to the Palestinian cause."

At the same time, Regev noted Israel has called on Palestinian leaders to start peace talks and was hoping for a positive response soon.



« THE DIGIT

6 That's how many types of pie were on the Thanksgiving dessert menu at the White House on Thursday. For those keeping score, the fillings were banana cream, pumpkin, apple, sweet potato, huckleberry and cherry.



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Taming 'bad debt'



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The way Thomas Gokey sees it, certain debts aren't really about money. They're about morals.

"Nobody should have to go into debt for medical care," he said. "This debt is immoral, but we want to flip the morality of it."

Gokey is an organizer at Strike Debt, an offshoot of Occupy Wall Street. Their mission? Buy up bad debt, but

not to profit from it—to forgive it.

It works like this: Say you have a bill you can't pay—medical expenses, credit card charges, whatever.

After 180 days in default, the money you owe is classified as "bad debt" and can be sold off. That means you'll no longer owe the money to your original creditors. Instead, you'll owe it to whichever debt buyer they

handed it off to. The new owner of your debt can either try to collect it from you or sell it off to someone else.

"I almost think of it like a factory that creates pollution, but they can ship their pollution to China," Gokey said.

When Strike Debt buys that debt, the debtors won't have to repay it. Their credit probably will already be in the toilet, but they won't have the debt—or the collection agencies—hanging over their heads. And it turns out, bad debt is pretty cheap these days. According to Gokey, it sells for anywhere from 3 percent to 8 percent of the original amount owed.

That means the \$368,428 that Strike Debt has raised as of Tuesday morning will buy up about \$7.4 million of bad medical debt.

Which is, uh, actually not that much.

"I have a feeling most [debt buyers] are going to be ambivalent about it just because the money involved might sound like a lot, but in this world, it really isn't," said Patrick Lunsford, senior editor at Inside ARM, a trade publication for debt collectors. "As it is right now, it's a drop in the bucket."

Something else to consider: Buying bad debt won't take money out of the seller's pocket. It just takes the debt out of circulation and might yank some business away from those pesky collection agencies.

"They wouldn't be hired to work on those particular folios of debt," Lunsford said.

Gokey and crew are starting with medical debt, but if their "Rolling Jubilee" gets as big as they'd like it to, they have plans to expand to other kinds of debts.

There are exceptions, though. You can't request they buy your debt. Even the neediest or saddest cases can't be singled out for forgiveness. And federal student loans are so strongly protected by the government that there's no secondary market for them, meaning they can't be bought or sold.

Despite all that, Strike Debt is looking to take their methods global. As Gokey put it, "We're hoping it will snowball."

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1. Aerospace engineer

Typical education level needed: Bachelor's degree
Median annual pay: \$97,480

2. Airline and commercial pilot

Typical education level needed: Military flying experience or an associate or bachelor's degree from a civilian flying school. Pilots who transport passengers or cargo must have a commercial pilot's license.
Median annual pay: \$92,060

3. Computer hardware engineer

Typical education level needed: Bachelor's degree
Median annual pay: \$98,810

4. Human-resources manager

Typical education level needed: Bachelor's degree
Median annual pay: \$99,180

5. Judge or mediator

Typical education level needed: Judges often are required to have a law degree and work experience as a lawyer. Mediators often have a law degree, a certification in conflict resolution and/or a doctoral degree.
Median annual pay: \$91,880

6. Mathematician

Typical education level needed: Master's degree
Median annual pay: \$99,380

7. Optometrist

Typical education level needed: Doctoral or professional degree
Median annual pay: \$94,990

8. Sales manager

Typical education level needed: Bachelor's degree
Median annual pay: \$98,530

9. Systems software developer

Typical education level needed: Bachelor's degree
Median annual pay: \$94,180

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SCORE****bears****BEARS AT
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This week we're joined
by Kyle Backman
(@kylebackman10),
TJ Chilly (@streetscoop)
and Walter Brzeski
(@bearstradamus).

**BEARS 27,
VIKINGS 19**

After San Fran, Bears
bounce back, making
Butterfingers Peterson
fumble at least twice.
—Kyle Backman

**BEARS 34,
VIKINGS 17**

Despite my EIU O-line
coach now coaching a
stone-handed group of
Bears TEs, Bears will
win anyway.
—Walter Brzeski

**VIKINGS 27,
BEARS 13**

Percy Harvin scores
a TD. Adrian Peterson
rushes for more than
100 yards and the
Vikes' playoff hopes
remain alive.
—TJ Chilly

**BEARS 19,
VIKINGS 17**

Robbie Gould to the
rescue! He's actually
taking over at quarter-
back this week.
—Whizzer

IS IT 'BEAR WEATHER'?



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THE STARTING LINE

» NHL, players still far apart on new contract

» Illinois basketball wins Maui Invitational, improves to 6-0

EVEN IF IT'S JUST A SMALL EDGE, PLAYERS SAY BRRRING IT ON

By Jack M.
Silverstein
FOR REDEYE

WEEK 12
Bears vs.
Minnesota
Noon Sunday, Fox

As the weather tilts toward winter, the conversation soon will turn to the notion of "Bear Weather" and the supposed advantage it offers. As the story goes, if a team accustomed to warm weather or playing in a dome travels to Chicago in November or December, they will be so flustered by the cold that they will walk off the field before the game even starts.

That's the idea, anyway. The latest case study will be Sunday, when the temperature is expected to top out in the 40s as the Bears host Minnesota.

But is that a myth? After all, the Bears roster is full of guys from Florida, California and Texas, just as Tampa Bay has guys from Utah, Michigan and Washington. According to the Bears, though, where you are now outweighs where you came from.

"We practice outside all the time," safety Craig Steltz said. He grew up in Louisiana and played at LSU before the Bears drafted him in 2008, but he's used to the cold because "we're always around it. ... It's not just that we fly up there, [are] in it for a couple hours and play in the game."

Guard Roberto Garza, who grew up in Texas, agrees, though he did have a cold-weather baptism his first season in Chicago. It came against Atlanta, which plays its home games in a dome.

"My first year here, 2005 ... we played [the Falcons] at like 7:30 [p.m.], and it was minus-15 degrees," he said. "I had already been here, and we'd had some cold games, but nothing like that."

The Bears won that game, which actually featured a wind chill of minus-3, by a score of 16-3. Both teams struggled offensively, but by the second half, the Falcons' cold-weather fatigue showed.

"You could see in the second half, they didn't deal with the weather as well as we did," Garza said. "We were able to win that game and get more physical than they were."

Receiver Eric Weems also knows about the physical toll of cold weather.

"Being cold, it has that extra sting to it when you get tackled," he said. "It adds another



The Bears have to get used to chilly conditions—even if their opponents don't. GETTY IMAGES/FILE

er 'umph' to it. So yeah, you have to get ready."

Weems grew up in Florida and played his first five years in Atlanta. He is in his first year in Chicago.

"I gotta start sledding and moving snow and all that other good stuff," he said, joking.

To help his transition, Weems talked to Devin Hester, a fellow native Floridian.

"He's just telling me, you know, I haven't seen anything yet," Weems said. "He said, 'Get prepared for it best way you can. Bundle up, lots of long johns, pants and all that other good stuff.'"

Defensive tackle Amobi Okoye, who was born in Nigeria and played football in Alabama (high school), Kentucky (college) and Texas (NFL) before joining the Bears last year, had two words for cold-weather newbies. "Time out." He added that "just practicing in the cold sucks."

However, Okoye knows cold weather is just another challenge of football.

"In south Texas, it's hot and humid," Garza said. "You deal with it. Here it's cold. You deal with it. ... We don't wear sleeves. You just do

it, you know what I mean? You don't let it become an issue."

Like most Bears, Louisiana native Matt Forte has a cold-weather story: His was a game at Soldier Field against Green Bay on Dec. 22, 2008.

The temperature was 2 degrees, the coldest Bears home game on record, with a wind chill of minus-13. "The field was frozen," Forte said. He thinks there might be a slight advantage for cold-weather teams hosting warm-weather opponents. However, "it really comes down to football, not the weather."

So the weather probably won't ever turn a game completely, but if there is an advantage, it goes to the team that lives in it year-round.

"If it affects one guy on their team, that's Bear Weather, right?" Garza said. "Simple as that. There are guys who deal with it and guys who don't deal with it. Is it going to affect the whole team? Probably not. But if it gets one guy, that's a plus for us."

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COLD HARD FACTS

The Bears' remaining regular-season home games are against Minnesota, Seattle and Green Bay, meaning their cold-weather advantage will be minimal. But a look at these frigid games under coach Lovie Smith shows that "Bear Weather" doesn't always work in the home team's favor. **15**

Dec. 19, 2004 vs. Houston

Temperature: 9 degrees
Supposed advantage: Huge
Outcome: Texans whip an uninspired Bears team 24-5.

Dec. 18, 2005 vs. Atlanta

Temperature: 12 degrees
Supposed advantage: Huge
Outcome: Bears grind out win over tired Falcons, 16-3.

Dec. 3, 2006 vs. Minnesota

Temperature: 20 degrees
Supposed advantage: Moderate
Outcome: Vikings crush Bears in first downs (21-6), total yards (346-107) and time of possession, but the Bears win 23-13.

Dec. 23, 2007 vs. Green Bay

Temperature: 20 degrees
Supposed advantage: None
Outcome: The Bears destroy Green Bay 35-7 by protecting the ball and battering 38-year-old Brett Favre.

Dec. 7, 2008 vs. Jacksonville

Temperature: 18 degrees
Supposed advantage: Huge
Outcome: Jaguars post a statistical advantage but Bears find the end zone twice in a 23-10 win.

Dec. 22, 2008 vs. Green Bay

Temperature: 2 degrees
Supposed advantage: None
Outcome: Bears win 20-17 in overtime, their 10th straight home victory with a kickoff temperature below 32 degrees.

Dec. 12, 2010 vs. New England

Temperature: 26 degrees
Supposed advantage: Minimal
Outcome: The Patriots led 33-0 at half-time and won 36-7; the cold played less of a role than the blinding snow.

BEARS TRIVIA CHALLENGE

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Like Thanksgiving dinner, it might be best if you had a few cocktails before reading what these five have to say.



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| 1 How are Chicago sports like Thanksgiving dinner? | Everyone wants a piece of Jay Cutlet. | Both make you fall asleep on the couch with deep feelings of regret and shame? | At first glance, awesome. The more you consume, though, the worse you feel. | Both have been known to drive me into hibernation. | You can't believe how much it stays with you the next day. |
| 2 Which Viking is scarier: Adrian Peterson or Jared Allen? | Adrian. Hope there's not an AP for that. | Adrian Peterson is made of metal. Jared Allen is a former Winger roadie. | Jared Allen is scarier, especially since he's going against weak offensive linemen. | Are you kidding me? My ancestors ate real Vikings for breakfast. | Allen. He runs toward you as opposed to away from you. |
| 3 Where's your level of faith in the Bears right now? | Sagnostic. | Even the '85 Bears D had one terrible week in Miami. Still not freaked. Yet. | I have 100 percent faith they are a solid team, not a great team. | I would give two fresh salmon for a reliable offensive lineman. | Let's just say they need saving. |
| 4 Danica Patrick's getting a divorce. Cheer her up if you can. | "You'll be fine. Spend more time in laps." | "Belvidere rules Hononegah's face, Danica!" (A little NIC-10 ribbing. She'll get it.) | "We should definitely meet for coffee and talk about this." (Here's where I'm amazing.) | "My polar bear bros are losing their habitat to global warming. So ... perspective, Danica." | "With that car, you won't have any trouble getting a date." |
| 5 What can you expect from the Cubs pursuing another Japanese player? | An easy Sell-eck for Movember. | Hopefully another surname even more potentially offensive than "Fukudome." | We know so much more about the language and culture, we'll only overpay a little! | If history is any indication ... culturally insensitive T-shirts for sale in Wrigleyville. | For a little while, we'll forget the Cubs need pitching. And some outfielders. And some offense. And ... |

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I blame you and I blame me, but more on that in a minute.

The Bears have been exposed and you knew it was coming. Aging defense, lame offense. Thank you, Jim Harbaugh and the San Francisco 49ers. Thank you for showing us who we are.

Nice to see a team (theirs, not ours) can

just plug in their second-round draft pick from Nevada (Nevada?) as a backup and keep humming along. Us? Yeah, we plug in a supposed “veteran” and it’s like he’s never seen the field before. Again, thank you for clarity.

The Bears, oh man, they’re so good—until they play teams that are better than them. And thanks to the modern NFL, there always will be. Because there will always be coaches better than Lovie Smith.

It’s our fault. It’s our fault because we buy into this crap every year. “Oh, we have an awesome defense” “Oh, man, look at those takeaways.” “Lovie is such a great (defensive) coach.”

Yeah, it’s all great, and Lovie’s a great defensive coach and it works until we run into a real NFL team that understands defense AND offense. And that’s not us.

2004. Bears hire Lovie Smith. Good defensive coach. Anyone remember who the first choice was? I do. It was Tom Coughlin. Of



Lovie Smith
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course he told us to go scratch. He wanted to be with a modern NFL franchise. Nice move, Tom. It worked out. For them.

Not us. We’re still stuck in 1922. I need one of those fur coats Red Grange is wearing.

So, the near term: We right the ship, Cutler comes back, and we make the playoffs, it’s OK for now.

The long term: Forever just outside the circle of the NFL’s truly elite. And we’ll take that, apparently, you and I, every year.

The only hope is to move to another mediocre league where we can dominate. Wait, I got it.

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No, wait. We’ll finish second to Ohio State. Every year. **BAG BOY IS A REDEYE SPECIAL CONTRIBUTOR.**



TRACY'S TREK

RedEye reporter Tracy Swartz is on a mission to visit all 32 NFL stadiums before she turns 32. Follow her @tracyswartz.

Houston 34, Detroit 31

I was done for the holidays. Compared with the other domes I’ve been to in Minneapolis, New Orleans and Atlanta, Ford Field in Detroit is cleaner and has more space between the seats but still felt tight-knit. It was easy to spread good cheer—until the Texans finally ended the game with a field goal in overtime. It’s safe to say no Lions fan walked away from this Thanksgiving game feeling satisfied.

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It’s beginning to look like a breakout season for Viktor Stalberg. The Blackhawks winger scored twice against the Ducks, giving him six goals on the season; he’s now tied for the team lead with Jonathan Toews. Toews also had a goal in the game for his 15th point of the year.

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Grind games

Los Angeles Times

During R. Kelly's "Single Ladies" recent show in Oakland, Calif., every crotch grab, pelvic thrust and naughty exchange with the audience—and there were plenty—was met with screams, whether it came from the nosebleed seats, the orchestra pit or the two bars built into his set (six ladies watched from the stage, with cocktails).

"All of the single ladies are going to come out, and that's going to bring the guys because they are going to go somewhere all the ladies will be," Kelly said with a laugh in his dressing room before the show at Paramount Theatre while sipping a cocktail of his own. "We're going to make this one big giant music match-making game."

Wearing dark sunglasses, Kelly is accompanied by a small entourage. He initially appears reserved but breaks into huge grins when discussing his kids and spontaneous song when talking about his music, which includes his "Trapped in the Closet" video series that returns Friday on IFC with 11 new chapters.

His favorite subject, though, is the one he comes back to most often: "Hopefully," he says of the show, "people will hook up from this."

The art of seduction has become a hallmark of the self-proclaimed King of R&B, born Robert Sylvester Kelly, and his live show is the bread and butter of that image.

Twenty-plus years ago an up-and-coming Kelly was searching for a gimmick to liven his set. The Chicago native crafted the raunchy song, "12 Play," an unapologetically raunchy tale of how he makes love. As the saying goes, sex sells. In Kelly's case it really sold. The album, also titled "12 Play," launched one of R&B's most successful singing careers. Kelly has sold more than 38.5 million albums and charted 12 No. 1 singles on the R&B charts.

"I never wanted to just have a musical connection with my fans. I wanted to have a spiritual connection with them as well," said Kelly, 45. "To have that, you have to be true to what you're doing."

From smooth grooves to 'Closet,' sex is always a best-seller for R. Kelly

R. Kelly
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“All of the single ladies are going to come out, and that's going to bring the guys because they are going to go somewhere all the ladies will be.” —R. Kelly, on his shows

Eleven albums in—he's touring behind the June release "Write Me Back"—the divorced father of three still finds plenty of ways to connect with female fans. At the top of the show at the Paramount Theatre he had the crowd rise

for the "Single Ladies Anthem"—and with the snap of a finger the left sleeve of his white leather jacket illuminated to read "Single." One usher, intoxicated by Kelly's charm, swiveled her hips and couldn't focus on directing patrons.

"You've got us hot in here, Kells," two women in their 30s shouted approvingly when he ran through another suggestive cut, "Sex in the Kitchen." He then turned subjects such as the zoo, the solar system and his car into



Scenes from the new chapters of "Trapped in the Closet"



R. Kelly is 'Trapped' again

"Trapped in the Closet" is back in a big way. Five years after he dropped the last chapter of his serial narrative of sex, lies and singing, R. Kelly returned Oct. 17 with Chapter 23 to continue the epic story of Sylvester, Rufus, Rosie The Nosey Neighbor, Twan, Roxanne and Pimp Lucius.

Now IFC will air 11 new chapters of the opus beginning at 8 p.m. Friday. Kelly has confirmed that 20 more chapters have

been filmed, but it won't even stop there.

"'Trapped in the Closet' is forever," he recently told Time magazine. "I've got like a hundred chapters to come."

Well, 85 for sure, if you believe what the Chicago-based R&B singer said Monday in New York, where he claimed "Trapped" might be heading to Broadway. The 45-year-old said the 85 chapters are "waiting in the studio for y'all," according

to the Los Angeles Times. "The chapters that are coming—the show, we call it—is going to exceed every chapter that you have ever seen."

He said he's working to transform it into a Broadway show. "I don't have a job, so I sit in the studio all day and think of stuff to do and this is just something stupid I've done that's been successful for me," he said. "I'm having a lot of fun with it." **REDEYE**

MORE ONLINE Before you get geared up for the 11 new chapters, read Ernest Wilkins' recap of the first 22 at redeyechicago.com. (IFC will air the first 22 chapters beginning at 6 p.m. Friday.)

oddly genius sexual metaphors. Kelly's appeal is filled with irony given how his stock plummeted after an underage sex scandal that led to criminal proceedings in 2008 (it took more than six years to go to trial, but he was acquitted of all charges).

The singer was blacklisted by a host of urban radio stations during the ordeal. A bitter feud with Jay-Z also provided tabloid fodder after building tensions resulted in canceled tour dates and a member of Jay's entourage pepper-spraying the singer in 2004.

Kelly tackles some of these setbacks in a recent memoir, "Soulcoaster: The Diary of

Me," but more often glosses over specifics of the child pornography trial. His author's note states, "Certain episodes could not be included for complicated reasons."

He does, however, write at length about how the trial and blowback affected him personally and professionally. He also tackles his struggles with illiteracy and opens up about being molested as a child. "I thought it was time for people to know where Robert came from," he said with a pause. It's clear it's not his favorite subject. "I was scared as hell. I've always been scared to talk about my personal life ... worried about what people will think of

me, or what they will say."

The Lothario role that made Kelly famous and infamous takes a back seat on his recent albums, including "Write Me Back." Inspired by the classic soul of Marvin Gaye, Donny Hathaway, Teddy Pendergrass and Sam Cooke, the discs emphasize simmering hooks and balladry paired with classically minded arrangements that present Kelly as a chivalrous ladies' man.

The singer has adopted plenty of personas on album and onstage, but all, he says, are far removed from the kid he once was. "I was always a shy guy. When I was a street performer I would

put on dark shades," he said. "In the beginning I didn't know how to look a girl in her eye and sing a song to her, so I would put them on."

Fans shouldn't get too comfortable with the genteel, romantic Kelly though. His next album promises a return to his sweat-soaked loverman past. It's titled "Black Panties."

"[I'm] not out to prove anything, but just be R. Kelly," he said. "I look at my music the way Steven Spielberg as a director looks at movies. He's not going to do the same movie over. 'Black Panties' is going back to the old R. Kelly thing because a lot of fans missed that. And I've missed it."



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It's never smart to fill a bad movie with lines that can be turned on the actors, or the production itself.

"I'm bored," says Lindsay Lohan, as screen legend Elizabeth Taylor in Lifetime's "Liz & Dick," "I'm sooo bored."

So was I.

"I want more," she says in another scene, to which I thought, simultaneously, that I wanted less of this cheesy, off-putting movie but more of the real story behind the volatile romance between Taylor and Richard Burton.

In yet another unintentionally funny scene Lohan—I mean La Liz—exclaims, "I'm a joke!" I'll let anyone guess what I thought after hearing that line.

Taylor and Burton deserve better than this. Viewers deserve better, too. (Although an argument could be made for this becoming everyone's go-to movie for a drinking game.)

Lohan, all pouty lips and puffy cheeks, doesn't capture Taylor's well-known bawdy humor and sexual appetites. She's just a jealous, selfish child. Lohan doesn't even appear to be trying to get Taylor right; her raspy California voice is not even close to Taylor's high-pitched, slightly British accent.

New Zealand actor Grant Bowler fares bet-



Liz & Dick

8 p.m. Sunday, Lifetime

ter as Burton. Although he still has to call Liz things like Ms. Bossy Boots and Mrs. Pudgy Digits, he conveys the pain and envy behind Burton's fiery attitude toward his love.

"Liz & Dick" begins on the set of "Cleopatra," as did Taylor's tumultuous relationship with Burton. It attempts to tell their story from that initial adulterous affair, suicide attempts, courting and loathing of the paparazzi, their two marriages through to its collapse, and the connection they maintained until Burton's death in 1984. (Taylor died in 2011.)

It's shocking how boring this film about two lives lived with such passion turned out. In the early going, we're inundated with many a bottle-throwing, booze-soaked brawl and rather chaste love scenes. Then, it seems, executive producer Larry A. Thompson and director Lloyd Kramer realized they were running out of time, so they cram marriage No. 2 into the final five minutes along with Lohan's laughable appearance as a mid-80s, big-haired Liz.

It's obvious Thompson wanted Lohan as his Liz to draw parallels between the two actresses: They both were child stars who flirted with the paparazzi, addiction and tabloid drama.

But Lohan isn't a star of Taylor's caliber, and "Liz & Dick" is, simply, a joke.

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Helen Mirren and Anthony Hopkins in 'Hitchcock'

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"Why call it 'Hitchcock'?" reads one thread on the IMDB page for "Hitchcock." The answer: Because director Sacha Gervasi's ("Anvil: The Story of Anvil") deliciously entertaining tale about the making of Alfred Hitchcock's 1960 classic "Psycho" also delicately creates a vivid portrait of the artist and his process.

Fortunately, "Hitchcock" is no glorified pat on Hitch's back. In Anthony Hopkins' performance—with mannerisms more successful than the makeup—the jealous and stubborn filmmaker holds many elements of the movie industry in contempt ("Style," he notes, "is mere self-plagiarism"). He longs for the affections and loyalty of his leading ladies, including Janet Leigh (Scarlett Johansson) and Vera Miles (Jessica Biel), for whom Hitch clearly harbors a grudge.

He's easily bruised, too. Whether lamenting a supporting actor's performance or wondering about the nature of his wife Alma's (Helen Mirren) relationship with her friend and writing collaborator, Whitfield Cook (Danny Huston), the great director's bitterness rushes out of him as quickly as the secret satisfaction he gets from an alcoholic or culinary indulgence.

Hitchcock
PG-13


Working from a book by Playboy film critic Stephen Rebello, writer John J. McLaughlin ("Black Swan") balances the built-in enjoyment of recalling the work of Hollywood icons (note "My Week with Marilyn") with a more difficult-to-achieve need to capture why this particular story matters more than any other. In "Hitchcock," there's a clear sense of both a filmmaker's inspiration and the many intangibles that hinder or enhance a production, from actors' personal wells of experience to censors' complaints to, in this case, the working relationship of Hitchcock and his wife. The film fully realizes Alma, and Mirren is terrific.

Oddly enough, "Hitchcock" has plenty in common with "Argo." Both movies have fun with Hollywood and history and feature low-key but commanding presences leading rogue missions to accomplish something other decision makers don't think can be done. While more modest, "Hitchcock" also is more deeply felt. Sure, at times it winks or smirks in ways that make the film a bit fluffier than it might have been. Yet the smile on your face, and the fond sense that you've seen a tale of a time when movies surprised and directors had countless tricks up their sleeves, should dismiss those concerns as swiftly as the opening of a shower curtain.

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You can take this rich-boy ‘Comedy’ seriously

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From a perspective I’d characterize as “wrong,” “The Comedy” could be seen as the tragedy of the rich white man. Swanson (Tim Heidecker of “Tim and Eric Awesome Show, Great Job!”) has a lot of money, nothing to do and all the time in the world to do it. Based on the guy’s aimless insincerity and passive-aggressive condescension, he’s also a miserable jerk.

In fact, this disturbing, observant drama merely features a lonely, ambitionless man scared to confront his impending inheritance of his sick father’s estate. Director/co-writer Rick Alverson allows viewers to imagine much about Swanson’s backstory.

What’s evident is he’s lived a challenge-free life of privilege, and the addition of denial and boredom becomes a dangerous social cocktail.

Psychologically existing above it all despite his schlubby appearance, Swanson pretends to work ordinary jobs such as gardening or sales. He eventually takes a minimum-wage gig as a dishwasher and treats it as a joke. The

‘The Comedy’



The Comedy

NR



movie’s title, of course, is the sad desperation of a person so intent on not taking life seriously that everything presents an opportunity for a laugh. In church, Swanson and his pals (Eric Wareheim, James Murphy of LCD Soundsystem) apply holy water as if it were cologne and climb over pews. In conversation, Swanson prefers extremes, referencing Hitler’s flatulence as if facetiousness would defend him from accusations of arrogance or bad taste.

“The Comedy” never quite pushes Swanson out of his comfort zone. Yet Heidecker’s spot-on performance anchors a deceptively wise study of the rug being pulled out from someone who’s probably never before cleaned a rug himself.

(No one who sees the opening scene in which the guys party and pour beer down tighty-whites will expect anything in the zone of intelligence.)

At one point, Swanson challenges a friend to guess when 10 seconds has passed. For guys whose schedule consists of shenanigans constantly decreasing in satisfaction, every tick of the clock booms like a cannon.

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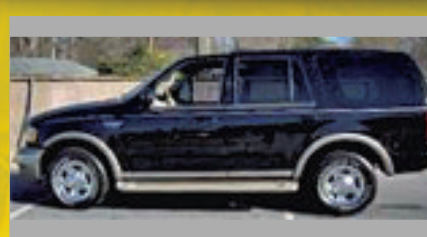
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SETTING: The downtown skyline. Throughout the game, we see shots of buildings and skyscrapers meant to evoke Chicago.

ACCURACY: Hey look, there's the Hancock Tower ... and some other buildings that kind of look like Chicago. Wait, that's not right.

SCORE: ★★★★★★☆☆☆☆



SETTING: Agent 47 tries to give Chicago police officers the slip through what appears to be a building inspired by the Harold Washington Library Center in the Loop.

ACCURACY: Squint and the building's exterior appears somewhat similar to Chicago's main library. But the old-timey interior looks more like something out of Batman's Gotham City, not the clean, modern digs of the real Harold Washington Library.

SCORE: ★★★★★★☆☆☆☆

'HITMAN' HITS CHICAGO

RedEye gauges how accurately the video game depicts our city

By **Ryan Smith** | FOR REDEYE

Local gamers shooting their way through "Hitman: Absolution" this week may notice they're guiding Agent 47 into familiar turf. That's because Chicago is the primary setting for the latest in the "Hitman" series. The iconic cityscape frequently has been the backdrop for movies and TV shows, but this marks the Chicago's most high-profile appearance in newer video games. Did the "Hitman" developers get Chicago right? RedEye played the game and talked to one of the directors to find

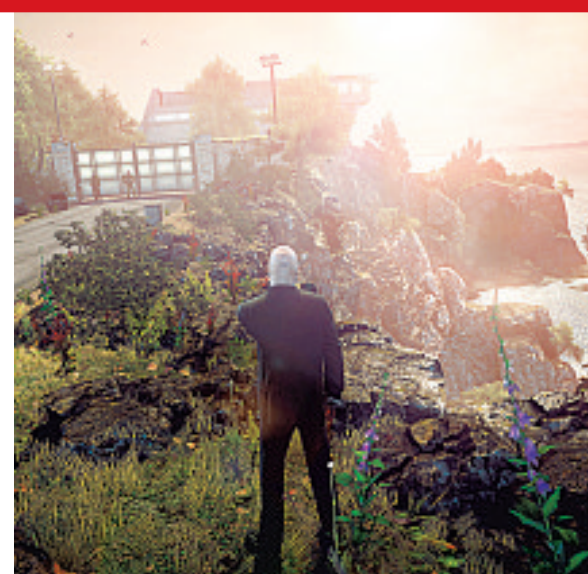
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SETTING: A CTA "L" stop, where the anti-hero assassin blends into a crowd of commuters to sneak aboard.

ACCURACY: The "Adams Street" CTA stop is a thing of fiction, especially since it travels to Kimball or Harlem/Lake, which makes it a composite of the Brown and Green lines. However, the look and feel of the "Hitman" "L" stop feels authentic (though it could use a few RedEye boxes).

SCORE: ★★★★★★☆☆☆☆



SETTING: In the opening mission, Agent 47 must stealthily infiltrate a gated mansion on the North Shore to kill one of his targets.

ACCURACY: Between rocky bluffs and the isolated nature of the mansion, it's a scene that looks borrowed from some seaside island country, not the northern suburbs off Lake Michigan. "The Lake Michigan shoreline does not have that kind of geology (nor geography), so we took some artistic liberties to get a more dramatic location," admits "Hitman: Absolution" director Tore Blystad.

SCORE: ★★★★★★☆☆☆☆



SETTING: The Chinatown neighborhood, where you must navigate through a raucous Chinese New Year celebration to take down a few gang members.

ACCURACY: The colorful, pagoda-topped buildings in "Hitman" are similar in nature to those of the South Side neighborhood, but the streets are a bit too dirty and gritty compared with real life. The size is disproportionate as well. "We know that Chinatown in Chicago is far smaller ... but the reason we included the location was that we needed something different and exotic to break up the mood," Blystad said.

SCORE: ★★★★★★☆☆☆☆



REVIEW

Hitman: Absolution PlayStation 3, Xbox 360

The bald, well-dressed star of "Hitman: Absolution" has something of a charisma deficit, but the game built around Agent 47 is overflowing with personality. Instead of relying on run-and-gun tactics, the game asks players to think creatively in order to kill the targets. In one mission, for example, I knocked out a chef, stole his clothes, put on his apron and easily slipped by a suspicious group of cops. In another, I hid in garbage dumpsters, ventilation ducts and armoires to avoid detection. Sometimes the artificial intelligence of the game is a bit too quirky, but as a whole, "Hitman: Absolution" is bloody good fun. **R.S.**

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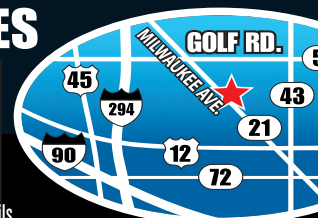


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THREE TO PLAY

BY RYAN SMITH | FOR REDEYE

PlayStation All Stars Battle Royale

PlayStation 3, PS Vita



Stop me if you've heard this idea before: Pit a host of characters from various video

games against each other in a silly, comic book-style brawl that can be played by four players simultaneously. If you said "Super Smash Brothers," you'd be right. But if you said "PlayStation All Stars Battle Royale?" Yep, that's also correct. Borrowing liberally from Nintendo's classic SSB play-book, Sony takes its own mascots like Jax and Dexter, Nathan Drake from "Uncharted," and Kratos from "God of War," and mashes them up in a kid-friendly game that doesn't take itself seriously.

Jeopardy!

PlayStation 3, Xbox 360



Part of the joy of playing along with the TV game show "Jeopardy!"

is successfully figuring out the trivia answer. The new video game adaption of America's favorite quiz show gets the aesthetics right—from the sounds of Daily Doubles to the look of host Alex Trebek—but it misses out on the pleasure of delivering a correct answer. That's because each question contains three multiple choice options, meaning you have a 33 percent chance of getting it right by guessing. Alex, I'll take Poorly Designed Video Games for \$200, please.



Call of Duty: Black Ops II

PlayStation 3, Xbox 360, PC



The biggest video game franchise in the world showed signs of slippage with last year's "Modern Warfare 3," looking especially long in the tooth compared to its brother in arms "Battlefield 3." But "Black Ops II" marks "Call of Duty's" return as the king of the military shooter mountain. The

story mode, which bounces in time between a futuristic conflict set in 2025 and secret Cold War-era missions in Central America, is the series' most compelling tale yet. The competitive multiplayer, meanwhile, features a series of significant upgrades like the "Pick 10" method of crafting the soldier of your choice and a new arsenal of high-tech weapons and accessories. **RYAN SMITH IS A REDEYE SPECIAL CONTRIBUTOR**

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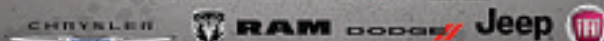


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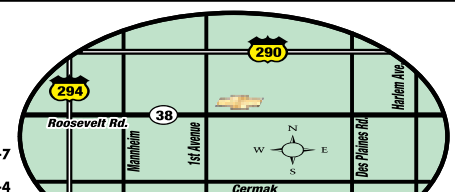
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DOES PILSEN'S NEW BAR SATISFY?

By Lisa Arnett

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Pilsen has long been known for its art galleries, taquerias and tortillerias, but as vintage shops and new restaurants have opened along its main drag of 18th Street, the neighborhood has become an increasingly bustling mash-up. The latest addition, Pl-zen, is a restaurant-bar hybrid championing all the loves of a locavore, from Chicago-brewed beer to whiskey distilled just north of the city's borders.

Cue the Simone's comparisons

With its artsy decor, craft beer and upscale bar food with a Mexican accent, Pl-zen's formula sounds similar to Pilsen favorite Simone's Bar. In reality, they're far from twins. Pl-zen's food skews fancier, with dishes such as fig-pomegranate-pistachio salad and octopus braised with epazote, a Mexican herb. While Simone's is an eclectic playland designed to the hilt with repurposed pinball machines and science lab gadgets, Pl-zen looks almost stark. Plain wooden tables and chairs put all the focus on murals evoking the 'hood's industrial landscape. Considering these two bars are almost a mile away from each other, I doubt they'll really compete.

The gang's all here.

On a recent Friday night, it seemed like everyone in Pilsen was checking out Pl-zen. While my friends and I ordered our first round of drinks, staffers hauled in extra

REVIEW

Pl-zen

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Take it or leave it

The classic bison burger
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The 18th Mule

tables and chairs through the front door to fit more people into the dining room, which is separated from the small bar in back with an awkward quazi-hallway with bathrooms.

FAST FACTS ON PL-ZEN

Name: It's pronounced just like "Pilsen."
Location: A few blocks west of the 18th Street Pink Line station, right next door to Nuevo Leon.

Music: Everything from dub-step to Interpol.
Deals: Watch the bar's Facebook page, updated often with daily drink specials and new beer offerings.

Service: Servers were sunny and sweet—and apologetic when food and drinks arrived slowly due to a backed-up bar and kitchen.

It makes the most of the narrow, garden-level space, but isn't the best for socializing.

The food is ambitious but doesn't always hit it home

Calamari fried in beer batter (5 Vulture, a Oaxacan-style dark ale from local brewery 5 Rabbit Cervceria, to be exact) with spicy giardiniera aioli (\$10) was salty enough to drain the water glass of everyone at my table in a matter of minutes. A hunk of braised beef short rib was the better half of a dish piled with gummy butternut squash gnocchi (\$19). Truffle-parmesan fries, a staple of the "upscale bar" concept, don't have much of either truffle oil or parmesan cheese (\$5), but at least they're served in a heaping portion.

On the bright side, the bison burger piled high with stout cheddar, bacon and crispy deep-fried onions (\$15) is as indulgent as a dressed-up bar burger should be—and that means a lot for a neighborhood bar.

Why yes, I'll have another beer

When it comes to drinks, Pl-zen fulfills all the unspoken requirements of a trendy new bar. Creative cocktails made with booze from boutique distilleries? Check. A beer list dense with craft picks from Midwest breweries? Done. Drinks such as Gutless (pear puree, basil, balsamic vinegar and white whiskey from Evanston-based Few Spirits) and Brunette (a tall foamy glass of lemon and guava juice, hibiscus concentrate and rum) disap-



Gnocci with short ribs

pointingly don't taste as good as they sound. Even at a wallet-friendly \$8 a pop, I wouldn't order them again. That makes the awesome lineup of drafts, bottles and cans from Logan Square's Revolution, Ravenswood's Metropolitan and Ohio's Great Lakes—all priced at a very reasonable \$5-\$6—even more enticing. Watch the chalkboard outside for killer specials. On the night I visited, it was \$6 for a bottle of Lagunitas Brown Shugga ale and shot of Knob Creek bourbon—probably the best drink deal I've seen all year. I wasn't surprised when my server told us they were out of the stout by 10 p.m.

Bottom line

The food was hit or miss—and the cocktails I tried were just a miss—but Pl-zen is the kind of place I'd come to just for the beer.

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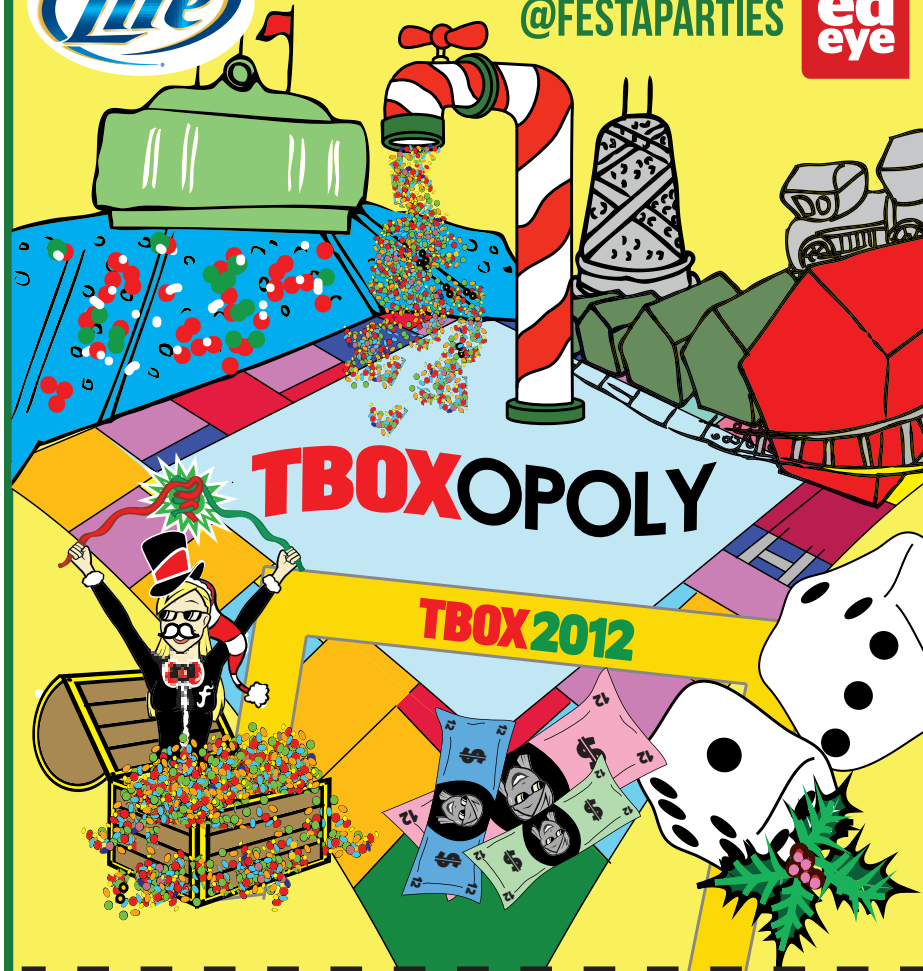
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The good: It's not often you wear a jacket that requires a map, but this jacket has so many compartments that we actually lost our wallet in it for a short time. On the positive side, that has to work against pickpockets, especially with high-quality zipper enclosures. Scottevest has made its name in producing travel clothing that in some cases can negate the need for a carry-on bag. This is a good addition to the lineup, though more for its clever gadget storage than for toting bulky baggage.

One highlight is a smartphone pocket with a plastic window that lets you operate the phone without removing it. That pocket also has a jack and wire connected to earbuds stowed near the collar. Another pocket can hold an iPad, Kindle or similar item. If you're old-fashioned, you also can use that pocket for a guidebook or road map.



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The fleece was surprisingly stout against a stiff wind with temperatures in the 30s. With sleeves that zip off, it can be worn as a vest. It also works well as a midlayer under a shell.

The bad: To get the most out of it, you really do need to study the thing. We also noticed some slight pilling on the back where a backpack was creating serious friction, but that seems to be typical of fleece. **CHICAGO TRIBUNE**

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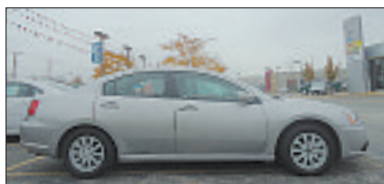
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Park Assist! (12292A) **\$11,988 866-314-4467**

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48K Miles! Heated Leather, Moonroof, CD, Bluetooth, Alloys!
Super Sharp! (Y1463A) **\$16,877 877-709-8856**

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TODAY IN THE YEAR ...

1889: The first jukebox made its debut in San Francisco, at the Palais Royale saloon.
1963: President Lyndon Johnson proclaimed Nov. 25 a day of national mourning following the assassination of President John F. Kennedy.
2005: A Metra train slammed into several vehicles caught in a traffic jam on a busy road in Elmwood Park, starting a chain reaction that injured at least 10 people.

ACROSS

- 1 Hearing organ
- 4 Vital blood vessel
- 9 Bangkok resident
- 13 Small glass bottle
- 15 Mountain path
- 16 Cleaning cloths
- 17 Cutting-; state-of-the-art
- 18 Brown-green eye color
- 19 Tied, as a score
- 20 Absurd
- 22 Finest
- 23 Fleming and Carmichael
- 24 Lemon meringue _
- 26 Montana's capital
- 29 Smiling smugly
- 34 Actor Jeremy
- 35 Slippery
- 36 "Yes, _"; polite response
- 37 Underground plant part
- 38 Climb
- 39 Run away
- 40 McMahon and Asner
- 41 Candid
- 42 Fragment
- 43 Young plant
- 45 Was a tattletale
- 46 Actor Brynner
- 47 Truism
- 48 Have nothing to do with
- 51 Rather pushy
- 56 Space agcy.
- 57 Unworldly
- 58 _ as a pin
- 60 Article
- 61 Windy day toys
- 62 Long deep cut
- 63 Mexico's dollar
- 64 On the ball
- 65 Strong cleanser ingredient

DOWN

- 1 Eden resident
- 2 Assists
- 3 All the _; in style
- 4 Greek goddess of wisdom

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- 5 Some graduate exams
- 6 Knock down; level
- 7 Even scores
- 8 Ingredient in some apple pie recipes
- 9 "Jeopardy!" host Alex
- 10 Possess
- 11 Grows old
- 12 "Say it _ so!"
- 14 Not at all strict
- 21 Without
- 25 Annoy
- 26 Gives work to
- 27 Wear away
- 28 Not tight
- 29 Street talk
- 30 Dairy product
- 31 Tiny bit of land
- 32 Female relative
- 33 Avarice
- 35 CT or MRI
- 38 Asian nation
- 39 Appropriate
- 41 Respiratory infection
- 42 Agreement
- 44 Energetic one
- 45 Least common
- 47 High temperature
- 48 Make a tiny cut
- 49 Loathe
- 50 Does drugs
- 52 Set _; leave shore
- 53 Location
- 54 Calf meat
- 55 Simple
- 59 Definite article

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BET awards 2010

I used to have a My Little Pony with hair this color. Nicki does it better.



GREEN

NBA All-Star game 2012

Also of note: Eyelashes.



BLUE/BLOND

American Music Award nominations 2011

She thought about becoming a Smurf that day, then decided against it.



PINK/PURPLE

United Center 2011

Channeling that Grace Jones energy like a pro.



RAINBOW

'American Idol' photo shoot 2012

Not pictured: The Fruit Stripe Gum zebra she rode in on.

CHEETAH

Grammys 2011

You'd think with a wig this expressive, a simple smile would do, but no.

Nicki Minaj's head is anything but boring

By Dana Moran | REDEYE

When most people win awards, they thank their families, friends, agents and, oh yeah, the academy. Nicki Minaj, however, remembered to give props to another very important person in her life at Sunday's American Music Awards. "My hairdresser that I never thank, Terrence—you're out there, I love you so much, thank you for sticking by my side," she said while accepting the prize for best rap/hip-hop artist. And given how many looks Nicki rocks, it's easy to see why she loves her mane-tamer. Check out a whole rainbow of her 'dos. DAMORAN@TRIBUNE.COM | [@REDEYEDANA](https://twitter.com/REDEYEDANA)

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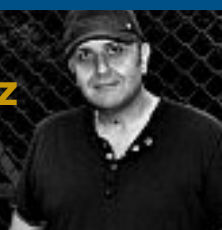
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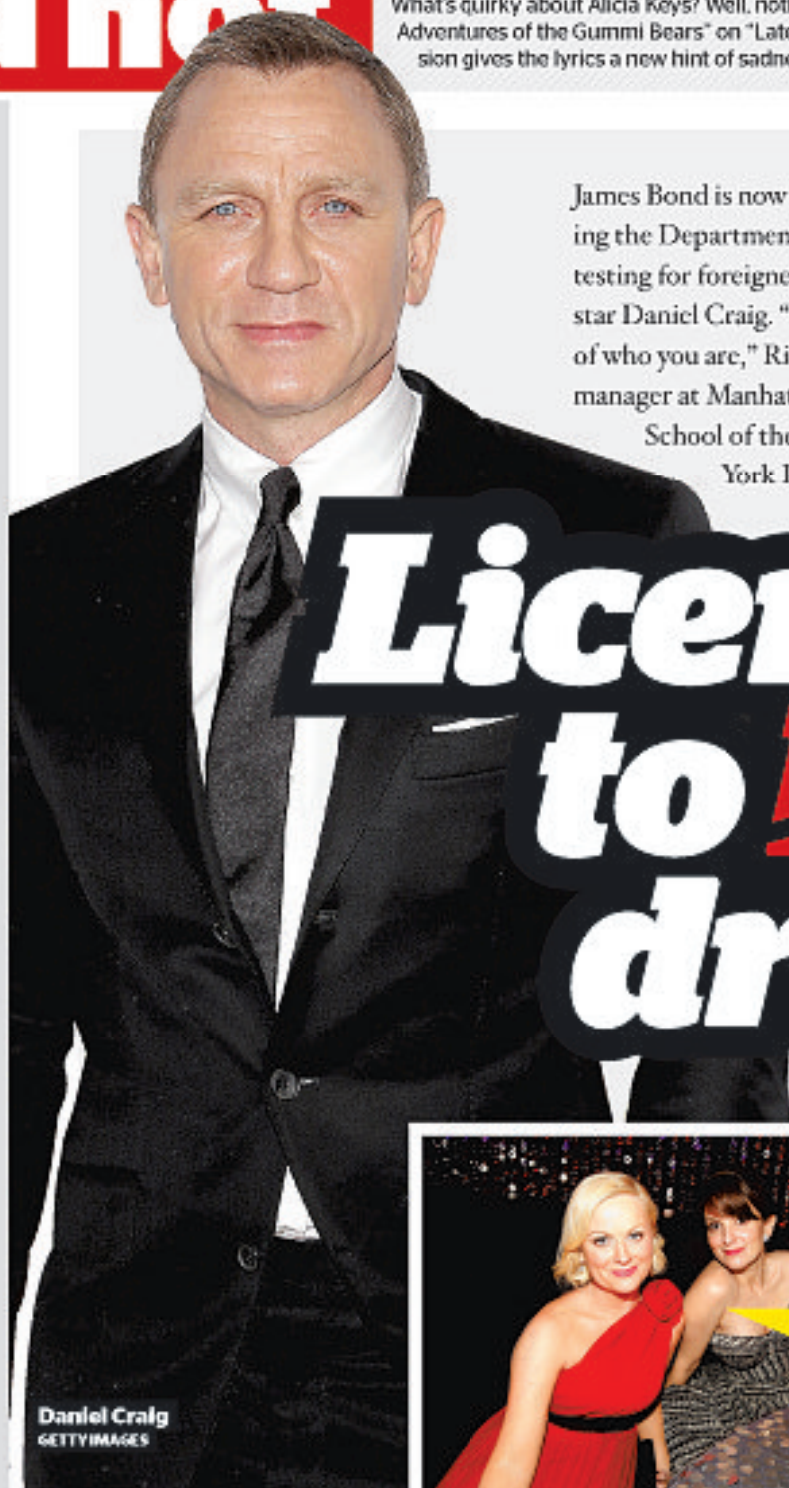
Number of units One Direction's second album, "Take Me Home," sold in its first week, according to Nielsen SoundScan, making it this year's third-highest-selling debut.



HOT DATE

DEC. 1

That's when producers for a new Bear Grylls reality show will visit Chicago for an open casting call. The show, tentatively titled, "Get Out Alive," is looking for teams of two to survive in remote locations around the world. Visit nbcbearshow.com for all the details.



Daniel Craig
GETTYIMAGES

Gummi Bear burden

What's quirky about Alicia Keys? Well, nothing, unless she's slowly, soulfully singing the upbeat theme song to Disney's "The Adventures of the Gummi Bears" on "Late Night With Jimmy Fallon." As thr.com describes it, "Keys' slowed down piano version gives the lyrics a new hint of sadness, as if the duties of being a Gummi Bear aren't all fun and games."

James Bond is now a licensed driver after passing the Department of Motor Vehicles' required testing for foreigners. OK, make that "Skyfall" star Daniel Craig. "No one is exempt, regardless of who you are," Richard Fernandez, an office manager at Manhattan's Professional Driving School of the Americas, told the New York Post.

License to ~~kill~~ drive



"LOWER YOUR EXPECTATIONS"

—Amy Poehler (left), on "Late Night With Jimmy Fallon," on fans' high hopes for the Jan. 13 Golden Globes, which she'll co-host with Tina Fey. She was joking. We hope.

Chevy Chase
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Chevy chased

Well, this isn't exactly shocking: Chevy Chase has agreed to part ways with "Community," his reps confirmed to the Los Angeles Times. The actor has had a tumultuous relationship with the cult-fave show. Most recently, Chase made headlines for using the N-word during a rant about his character's bigoted views. He later apologized.

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